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Case No. 659/695

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Earle Harry Sherrod

Serial No.: 09/825,609

Attention: Manager,
Application Branch

Filed: April 3, 2001

For: Absorbent Insert For Use
With An Outer Absorbent
Garment

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
FILING DATE GRANTED**

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted dated May 30, 2001, a copy of which is attached, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents:

Fully executed Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney for the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant is:

a small entity, verified statement is:

attached

already filed

other than small entity

Checks totaling \$240.00 for:

Filing Fee of \$_____.

Surcharge of \$130.00.

Additional Claim Fees of \$_____.

Extension Fee of \$110.00.

Petition for Extension of Time (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)) to file missing parts (in duplicate).

Other: Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 (including copies of cited references A1-A96).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: August 17, 2001

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Case No. 659/695
Serial No. 09/825,609	Filing Date April 3, 2001	Examiner	Group Art Unit 3761	
Inventor(s) Earle Harry Sherrod, et al.				
Title of Invention Absorbent Insert For Use With An Outer Absorbent Garment				

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (2), Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Petition for Extension of Time (2), Declaration of Sherrod, et al., Declaration of Nelson, Declaration of Bruemmer-Prestley, Power of Attorney and Copy of Assignment, \$240.00 Check, Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate), Form PTO-1449, including copies of cited references A1-A96, Postcard receipt.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

Petition for a 1 month extension of time.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims Remaining After Amendment		Minus	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than Small Entity	
Total		Minus			Rate	Add'l Fee	Rate	Add'l Fee
Indep.		Minus			x \$9 =		x \$18 =	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					x 40 =		x \$80 =	
					+ \$135 =		+ \$270 =	
					Total add'l fee	\$	Total add'l fee	\$

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A check in the amount of \$240.00 to cover the surcharge and extension fees is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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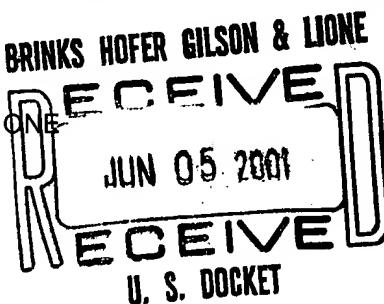
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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